

Listing of the Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for attracting an animal comprising:

means for generating a sound imitating a sound of a footfall of the animal, said means including a spring having a first end and a second end, said first end attached to a blunt for selectively moving the blunt vertically for striking a surface, and said second end attached to an anchor.

2. (Cancelled).

3. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 2 wherein the blunt further comprises:

a substantially hemispherical surface contacting the surface when struck.

4. (Original) The apparatus of claim 2 wherein the blunt defines a sphere.

5. (Cancelled)

6. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 5 1, wherein ~~means further comprises a spring, wherein~~ the spring at least partially extends along a substantially arcuate path.

7. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 6 1 wherein the spring at least partially extends along a substantially straight path.

8. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 1 further comprising:
means for remotely engaging the sound generating means.

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